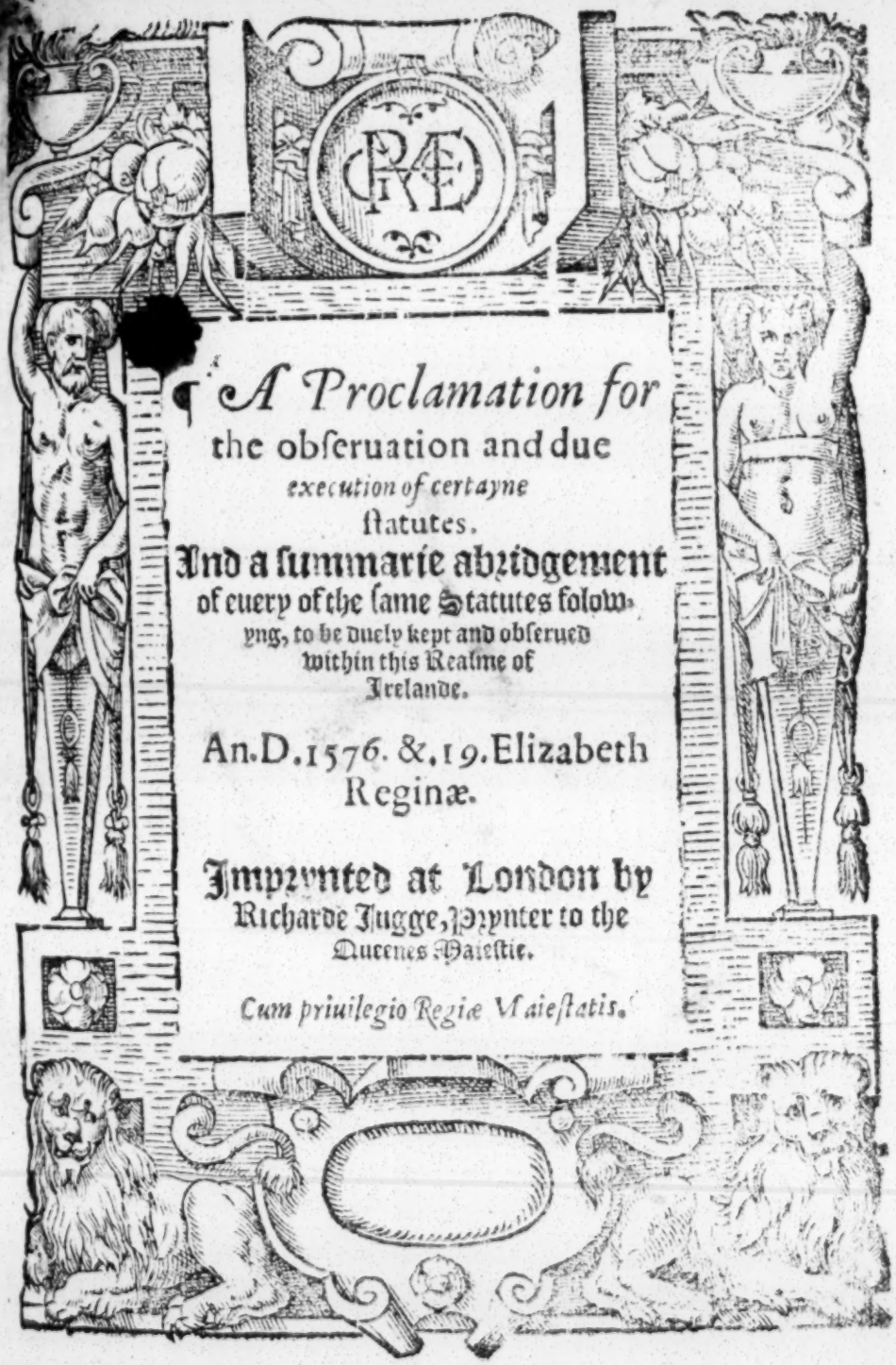

A Proclamation for the obſeruation and due execution of certayne ſtatutes.

And a ſummarie abridgement of euery of the ſame Statutes folowyng, to be duely kept and obſerued within this Realme of Irelande.

An. D. 1576. &, 19. Elizabeth Reginæ.

Imprynted at London by Richarde Jugge, Prynter to the Queenes Maieſtie.

Cum priuilegio Regiæ Maieſtatis.

By the L. Deputie and Counſel.

WHereas diuers and ſundry profitable lawes and Statutes haue heretofore ben enacted and eſtablyſhed at ſeueral Parliamentes, holden within this Realme of Irelande, aſwel in the tyme of the raigne of our moſte dread ſoueraigne Ladye the Queenes Maieſtie that nowe is, as alſo at other tymes, in the ſeueral raignes of diuers her hyghneſſe moſte noble progenitours, tendyng not only to repreſſe, punyſhe, and reformme many and great diſorders and enormities, commonly perpetrated and committed by the inhabitantes of this Realme, aſwell within the Engliſhe pale, as without: but alſo to bryng the entire people of the ſame, to theyr due obedience requiſite in all ciuile gouernement, vnder whiche obedience, they myght be better trayned to knowe and feare God, to frame theyr lyues and conuerſations accordyngly, to ſuffer euery one to enioy his owne without oppreſſion or ſpoyle, to vſe the meane to ſeeke by lawe and iuſtice to punyſhe and reuenge wronges and iniuries done vnto them, and not by violence and force to reuenge theyr owne cauſes, as accuſtomably was vſed. And where at this preſent the people of the ſame countrey lyue in as rude diſorders, and as faultie in euery of the ſayd offences, as they dyd at or before the makyng of the ſame lawes and ſtatutes, whereby may be gathered, that eyther the lawes haue not ben made knowen to the common ſorte, or at the leaſt not put in execution, to the great hinderaunce of the good meanyng of the makers of the ſame lawes, and the benefite that woulde haue enſued, yf the ſame had ben duely executed. And albeit all perſons are tyed to take knowledge of the lawes paſſed by Parliament at theyr peryll, yet for that the ſame haue not vntyll of late ben put in print, and therefore the olde ſtatutes to the moſte perſons of this age vnknowen: The L. Deputie, not minding ſo ſeuerely to extende the paynes and forfeytures conteyned in theſe lawes vpon the

offendours, as vppon enquirie he wel myght, yf presentlye he woulde take the aduauntage thereof, hath therfore thought good to conteyne in a breuiat the summe and effect of so many of the same lawes and statutes, as he hath thought requisite, to be duely and verye seuerely without respecte put in execution, and the same likewise to be made knowen in euery of the necessarie partes of this realme by open Proclamation, letting euery person to vnderstande, and to them and euery of them by this Proclamation geueth warnyng, that yf information be at anye tyme hereafter geuen agaynst anye person or persons, offendyng agaynst anye of the sayde lawes and statutes, by and after the time and space of fourtie dayes next ensuing the open publishing of this Proclamation, and therevpon the partie so offendyng, by order of lawe shal happen to be duely conuicted: that then the paynes and penalties conteyned in the sayde lawes and statutes, shall duelye be extended agaynst the same offendours, without any remission, pardon, or hope of fauour to be shewed to any suche offendours. And therefore the sayde L. Deputie aduiseth and warneth all and euery person and persons, to take knowledge of the same lawes and statutes by this present Proclamation, and to endeuour them selues to obey, obserue, and keepe them, and euerye of them, as they wil for the contrary answeare the payne and dangers thereof.

God saue the Queene.

¶ Here foloweth the seueral lawes.

No marchandise to be caried to Fayre or Market among the Iryshrie. Anno.10. Hen.6. Cap.1.

Irst, it is agreed & establysched, that no maner Marchaunt, nor other person, liege, nor alien, shal vse in time of peace nor of warre, to any Fayre or Market, nor other place among the Irishe enimies, with marchandises, or thinges to be solde, nor sende them to them (yf it be not to acquite any prysoner of them that be the kinges liege men.) And yf any liege man do the contrary of this ordinance, be he holden and adiudged as a fellon to our souereigne L. the king. And that it be lawful to euery liege man to arrest & take suche maner Marchantes, and persons, with their said marchandises, and things, and to sende them to the next Gaole, there to remayne tyl they shalbe delyuered as lawe requireth. The kyng to haue the one halfe of the saide goodes, and he or they that shal take them, the other halfe. 1

That euery liege man may take espials. Anno.10. Hen 6. Cap.2.

Item, it shalbe leefull to euery liege man to take all maner suche Irishe enimies as in tyme 2

of peace and truice, come and are conuerſant amongſt the Engliſhe lieges, and do eſpye theyr ſundry ſecretes, force, and wayes: And to make of them as of the kynges enimies, ſauyng them that ſhalbe licenced by the gouernour for the tyme being, or by the Sheriffe or Gardian of peace of the Counties where ſuch enimies ſhalbe founde, and them that repayre to Marchantes Townes for cauſe of buying and ſelling, or pilgrimage. &c.

An Act agaynſt comrike. Anno. 18. Hen. 6. Cap. 2.

3 Item, from henceforth ſuch as do put them ſelues to ſafegard and comrike, and ſuche as do graunt ſafegard & comrike, be iudged traitours, and ſuche ſafegarde and comrike be adiudged treaſon, vnleſſe it be graunted by him or them that ſhal haue auctoritie by vertue of theyr office, or by ſpecial auctoritie from the kyng, vpon payne of lyfe and member.

Labourers of the grounde, his ſonnes to vſe the ſame. An. 25. Hen. 6. Cap. 8.

4 Item, it is ordeyned, that the ſonnes of huſbandmen and labourers, which were woont to be labourers and trauaylers vpon the ground, as to holde ploughes. &c. ſhalbe labourers and trauailers vpon the ground, as they were wont in olde time, and in al other labours and workes lawful and honeſt, according to their eſtate: And for

for doyng contrary, and thereof be lawfully conuicted before any Iudge of the kyng, or Iudges of franches, to receiue punishment for one yere, with fine to the king or Lorde of franches, according to the discretion of the Iudge before whom he is conuicted.

Marchers, to keepe no more horsmen. &c. then they wil answeare for to booke them.

An. 28. Hen. 6. Cap. 1.

Item, that no Marcher, nor other man, of any Countie, or other, shal kepe more men, horsmen, or footemen, but that they shal answere for them, & shal maynteyne them vpon their owne costes, or theyr owne tenantes. And what men they do keepe, horsmen or footemen, the Marchers of the Countie of Dublin shall present their names to the Sheriffe, or to the Iustice of peace of the sayde Countie, and they to present them to the Maior and Bayliffes of the Citie of Dublin: And in like case all Marchers, and other men of euery Countie within Irelande, to the Sheriffes or Iustices of peace of the sayde Counties, and they to present them to the Maior or Bayliffes of the Cities within the sayde Counties, soueraignes, or Prouostes of the best Borough Townes within the sayde Countie. And that the said Marchers, nor no other man, shal any more vse anye coynies, supps. caddies, nor shal take no pledges for them, nor none of their theues or men shal guide none of ỹ kings Irishe enimies into the English countrey. And

what Marchers or other men doo contrarye the ordinances aforeſayd, that they be adiudged as felions.

To ſel ale and wine by meaſure ſealed, An. 28. Hen. 6. Cap. 3.

6 Item, that no man ſhal ſel Ale, or any other licour, within any Citie or Towne franchiſed, vnleſſe it be with the kynges meaſures ſealed, (that is to ſay) the Gallon, the Pottle, the Quarte, the Pinte, or the halfe Pinte, vpon payne of forfeyture of the ſayde meaſures, and the fine of .xl.s. the one halfe to the king, and the other halfe to the Citie, Borough, or Towne, where ſale is made with ſuche meaſures, contrary to this acte.

Men to anſwere for theyr ſonnes and waged men. An. 33. Hen. 6. Cap. 3.

7 Item, it was ordeined and accorded, that euerye man ſhoulde anſweare for his ſonnes and waged men.

Men to anſwere for theyr ſonnes, ſauing puniſhment of death. An. 35. He. 6. Cap. 2.

8 Item, foraſmuch as the ſonnes of many men, from day to other, do robbe and ſpoyle the kings poore liege people, and maſterfullye take theyr goodes without anye pitie: It was ordeyned, that euery man ſhoulde anſwere for the offence and

and euil doyng of his sonne, as he him selfe that dyd the trespasse and offence ought to do, sauing the punishment of death, whiche shal incurre to the trespasser him selfe.

Persons not ameneable, shal not distreine without license, and shewyng a title to the gouernour so to do. An. 35. He. 6. Ca. 3.

Item, yf any person which is not ameneable to the common lawe, do enter, distreyne, robbe, threaten, or kil any tenantes of any landes or tenementes (wherunto they pretende title) by strong hande contrary to the lawe, vnlesse that they do sue fyrst to the Lieutenaunt, Justice, or Deputie, and the kynges counsayle in the sayde lande, and shewe their title, and thereupon to haue a speciall license to distreyne or enter in peaceable manner, as may be thought lawfull to the sayd Lieuetenant, Justice, or deputie, and the counsel: And who woulde contrary, to lose their title and clayme of the sayde landes and tenements for euer, from them and their heyres. 9

An act for Englishe apparel, and Englishe surname. An. 5. Ed. 4. Cap. 3.

Item, that euery Irishman that dwelleth betwixt or amongst Englishmen, in ỹ Counties of Dublin, Meth, Uriel, and Kildare, shal goe lyke to an English man in apparel, and shauing of his beard aboue the mouth, and shalbe within one yeere sworne the liege man of the king, 10

in the handes of the Lieuetenant or Deputie, or ſuch as he wil aſſigne to receiue his othe, and ſhall take to hym an Engliſhe ſurname, of one towne, as Sutton, Cheſter, Tryin, Shrin, Cooke, Kynſale: or colour, as white, blacke, browne: or Arte or Science, as Smith, or Carpenter: or office, as Cooke, Butler: and that he and his iſſue ſhal vſe this name, vpon payne of forfeyture of his good yeerely til the premiſſes be done, to be leuied two times by the yeere to the kynges warres, accordyng to the diſcretion of the Lieuetenaunt or Deputie.

An acte for bowes and arrowes. An. 5. Ed. 4. Cap. 4.

II Item, that euery Engliſhe man, and Iriſhe man that dwelleth with Englyſhe men, and ſpeake Engliſhe, that be betwixt. ix. and. xvi. in age, ſhal haue an Engliſhe bow, of his owne length and one fyſt mele at the leaſt betwixt the nyckes, with twelue ſhaftes. The bowes to be of Ewe, wiche Haſel, Aſhe, Awburne, or any other reaſonable tree, according to theyr power, on payne of. ii. d. a man from one moneth to other, vntyl he haue bowe and arrowes. Gentlemen to ryde with a ſpeare yf they be diſpoſed, ſo that they haue bowes, with theyr men, for time of neceſſitie.

Conſtable to be in euery towne, and to haue buttes, and vſe ſhooting. An. 5. Ed. 4. Cap. 5.

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Item, that in euery towne of this lande that 12
passe three houses, holden by tenauntes, where no other Presidente is, be chosen by his neyghbours, or by the lorde of the same towne, one Constable, to be President and gouernour of the same towne, in all thing that parteyneth to the common, but of the same towne: as in ordinance of night watche from Michaelmas to Easter yeerely, vnder paine of .iii.d. euery night. And to ordeyne one payre of buttes for shooting within the towne, or neere the same, vpon the costes and labour of the said towne, vnder paine of .ii.s. from one moneth to another, til the Constable be made, and buts also. The sayd townesmen to muster from. ix. to. xvi. before the Constable or his deputie, at suche tyme as they shall appoynt: they shall shoote vp and downe three tymes at the sayd buttes at the least euery feast day, betwixt the fyrst of Marche, and the last of July, vnder paine of one halfpeny for euery day: these forfeytures to be leuied from moneth to moneth, to be spent for strengthnyng of the said towne.

An act for bringing in of bowes into the Realme.
An. 12. Ed. 4. Cap. 2.

Item, that euerye marchant and passenger, 13
that bring marchandises into this lande of Irelande out of Englande, to the summe of. C.li. that he shall buy and bryng with him into the said lande in bowes to the value of. C.s. and so folowyng after the rate vnder and ouer, to the

ſumme of.xx.li. And for doyng the contrary, the ſayd marchant to loſe and pay the value of the ſaid bowes, the one moitie to the king, and the other moitie to the ſearchers of the ſame, for whiche they may haue an action of debt. The Batiliffes of Dublin for the time to be ſearchers of the ſame, within the franchiſes of the citie. And in like manner the Sheriffes of the towne of Drogheda be ſearches there: and ſo in lyke manner within euerye citie and towne within the realme, the officers to be ſearchers. And yf the ſayd ſearchers be negligent in the executing of the ſayde ſearche, they to forfeyte to the kyng for euery default. xl.s. The ſayde ſearchers for the tyme, to preſent in the kynges benche, or in the Exchequer of Irelande, vpon payne of.xl.s the names of all the marchantes or paſſengers whiche bryng no bowes, as before is rehearſed.

No grayne to goe out of the Realme, An.12.Ed.4.Cap.3.

Item, that no perſon or perſons lade no grayne out of the land, to no other partes with-
14 out, yf one pecke of the ſayde grayne exceede the price of.x.d. vpon paine of forfeiture of ỹ graine, or the value thereof: and alſo the owner of the ſhyppe within whiche the ſayde grayne are laden, ſhal forfeyte the ſayde ſhyppe, the one moitie of the ſhip and grayne to the king, and the other moitie to the partie that ſeaſe or take the ſayde grayne and ſhyppe.

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An acte prohibiting distresses to be taken.
An. 15. Ed. 4. Cap. 1.

Item, whatsoeuer person or persons, of what 15
degree he or they be, take any pledge, & the same pledge do conuey, take, and conuert to theyr vse, contrary to the cõmon law, that he or they that so take, or cause the sayde pledges to be taken, be adiudged fellon or fellons attaynted, and theyr goodes and chattelles, landes, and tenements, forthwith vpon the sayd acte done, to be forfeyted to the kyng, so that he from whom the sayde pledges shalbe taken, be not amesnable to the common lawe.

An acte disanulling prescription. anno. 10.
Hen. 7. Cap. 3.

Item, where an vsurped prescription was hol- 16
den, declaryng that it hath ben vsed time out of minde, that all manner of persons, aswel rebels, traytours, as other euil disposed persons, for any cause comming or ariuing into the sayde lande, haue vsed to haue succour, tuition, supportation, and free libertie within the sayde land, duryng theyr abiding there, without any greeuaunce, hurte, or molestation of anye person, notwithstanding any writ, priuie seale, the great seale, letter missiues, vnder signes, or other commaundment from the kyng, directed to any officer, or other person within this lande, to be executed agaynst anye suche person or persons, beyng rebels, or traytours, where as there was

neuer ſuche preſcription vſed, had, ne ſeene. Wherefore be it enacted, that the ſame preſcription, if anye ſuche was, and all actes of Parliament, of ratification of the ſayd preſcription, be reuoked, adnulled, and repealed. And further, that if any perſon or perſons within the realme, do maynteyne, ſuppoꝛte, oꝛ receiue any ſuche rebel hereafter, that aſwel the receiuer and mainteyner, as that rebell oꝛ perſon ſo receiued and maynteyned, be taken, reputed, and adiudged as open traiters to our ſoueraigne L. the king. And that the kynges great ſeale, priuie ſeale, and letters milliues vnder his ſignet, ſent out of his realme of Englande, be duely obeyed: the ſayde preſcription, oꝛ confyrmatiõ, oꝛ other oꝛdinance to the contrary, notwithſtandyng.

No citizen or freeman to receiue liueries, anno. 10. Hen. 7. Cap. 6.

17 Item, that whatſoeuer citizen, burgeſſe, oꝛ freeman, inhabityng within anye of the cities and great townes of this lande, and in eſpeciall the citie of Dublin, do receiue liuerie oꝛ wages, oꝛ make other promiſe oꝛ ſuretie by indenture, oꝛ otherwyſe, within any lord oꝛ gentleman within the ſayde lande, that then he oꝛ they that ſhal ſo offende the premiſſes, and as often, to be depriued of his and theyꝛ freedome and libertie, and ouer that, to be expulſed out of the ſaid citie foꝛ euer. And by the ſame auctheꝛitie it be oꝛdeyned, that yf the Maioꝛs, oꝛ head officers of the ſayde cities and townes foꝛ the tyme beyng,

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do not execute this present ordinaunce, as often as it shal require, that then he to forfeyte to the king.xx.li. And by the same aucthoritie, that no lord ne gentlman of ỹ sayd land, reteyne by liuerie, wages, or promise, signed or taken by indenture, or otherwise, any person or persons, but only suche that be or shalbe his officers, as Bayliffes, Steward, learned counsayle, receiuers, and menial seruantes, dayly in houlholde at the sayd lords costes, vpō payne of.xx.li. to be forfeyted to the kyng, aswel by the reteyner, as he that is reteyned, as often as they shal do contrarye to this acte. This acte not to extende to the Marchers of the sayde lande, so that the Marchers do present the names by indenture, of al suche persons as they shal haue in their rettinue, suche as they shal aunsweare for at theyr peryl to the kynges Lieuetenaunt, or his Deputie for the tyme beyng.

None to be Alderman, &c. in any citie, &c. yf he hath not ben prentice or inhabitant. An. 10. Hen. 7. Cap. 7.

Item, that no citie, ne great towne within the lande of Irelande, from this time forwards, receiue or admitte any person to be Alderman, Jurors, or freeman, within anye of the sayde cities or townes, but suche persons as haue ben prentice, or ben continuallye inhabiter in the sayde cities or townes, ne also call no lorde ne other person to their congregations or counsels, but only theyr Recorder, and learned counsayle

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reteyned with them, ne also shal elect anye person to be Maior or head officer of any towne or citie, but suche as shalbe well knowen to be the kynges true men. And yf any citie or towne offende the premisses, or any part thereof, that the Maiors & commons of any such citie or towne, by whatsoeuer name they be incorporate by, to forfeite. C. marks of money to the king, as often as they or any of them shal offend the premisses. The cities and corporate townes to make no lawes contrary to the kinges prerogatiue and iurisdiction royal.

An acte for bowes & arrowes, & other armour.
Anno. 10. Hen. 7. Cap. 9.

19 Item, that euery subiect hauing goodes and cattelles to the value of. x. li. haue an Englishe bowe and a sheffe of arrowes accordingly. Euery subiecte hauing goodes to the value of. xx. li. haue a Jacke, Sallet, and Englishe bowe, and a sheffe of arrowes.

Item, euery freeholder, hauyng lande to the value yeerely of. iiii. li. haue his horse, Jacke, Sallet, bowe, and sheffe of arrowes.

Item, euery Lorde, Knyght, and Esquier, within the sayde lande, haue for euery yeoman dayly within their housholde, Jacke, Sallet, bowe & arrowes, to the intent that al the commons of the sayde lande may be able to do the kyng or his Lieuetenant seruice, for their owne defence and suretie: And for doyng the contrary, euery of the persons aforesayde, to forfeyte to the

the king. vi.s. viii.d. as often tymes as they and euery of them, shal offende the saide ordinances. Further, two Wardens of the peace to be in euery Baronie within euery Shyre, hauing auctoritie as it hath ben vsed of olde tyme.

Further, Constables of able persons to be in euery parishe inhabiting within the same, and a payre of buts to be within euery of the said paryshes, at the costes of the sayde parishioners, that the commons of the sayde lande may the sooner atteyne the practise and experience of Archers.

The Constables in euerye paryshe, or one of them, vpon paine of. xii.d. for euery default, to cal euery holy day the foresayde persons, hauing bowe and arrowes, to shoote, and to cause them to shoote at the least two or three games at the sayde buttes. And yf the sayde persons make default, and can shewe no reasonable cause, then the Constable to amerce them, and euerye of them, in. iiii.d. whiche they shal present in wrytyng to the Barons of the Exchequer, to be leuied to the kynges vse.

Captaynes of the Marches to certifie the names of such as they haue in theyr retinue.

Anno. 10. Hen. 7. Cap. 10.

Item, that euery Marcher, & Englishe captayne inhabitantes within the sayde Marches and lande, do present the names of all such persons as they shall haue in theyr retinue for the defence of the sayde Marches and lande, to the

kynges Lieuetenaunt or Deputie for the tyme beyng, by indenture, that they ſhall anſwere for euery of the ſayde retinues defaultes, to euerye perſon that wyll complaine of them for any maner cauſe. And yf any of the ſayde perſonnes, inhabitantes within the ſayde marches, voluntarily doo ſuccour, receiue, or ſuffer any enimies, or rebels to paſſe or repaſſe throughe their marches, to robbe and ſpoyle, burne, or murder the kynges true ſubiects, beyng partie or priuie to the ſame, that he or they that ſhall ſo offende, and therof duely conuicted, be fellon attaynted. And the Warden of euery ſuch march, ſhal endeuour hym by al his power, to take euery ſuche perſon ſo attaynted, and bryng hym to the kynges gaole. And further, that euery perſon or perſons hauing lande or poſſeſſions within the ſayde marches, doo reſort by them ſelfe, or their ſufficent deputies, ſuch as ſhalbe thought ſufficient by the kinges lieuftenant or deputie, & the kynges counſaile there, to their ſayd landes, and there continually do dwell in the ſame, for the defence of the kynges ſubiectes there, after certayne proclamations thereon made. And yf any of them do not accordingly, then it ſhalbe lawful to our ſoueraigne lorde the kyng, to enter and ſeiſe the ſayde landes, and the iſſues and profite therof take for the mayntenance of his warres, duryng the tyme of their abſencie. And that euery man of the age betwene. xvi. & lx. inhabitante within euery countie, citie, borough, or towne, to ſuch marches adioyning, vpon reaſonable

sonable warnyng to be had to them, be redye in their best defensible array for warre, to ayde and defend the forsayd marches, when neede thereunto shal require.

None to take money for amendes for the death of his freendes, anno. 10. Hen. 7. Cap. 11.

Item, where it is vsed by diuers of this land, 21
for the death of any of theyr frendes or kinsmen, to burne, slay, or robbe as many as beareth the name of him that was slayne: and by reason of suche damnable wayes, wil compel al such persons that be of the same name that he is of that was causer of that murder, howbeit that he was neuer of his blood, to pay assaute (that is to say) to departe with the moste parte of their goodes by way of amendes: Be it ordeyned, &c. that yf any person or persons from this time forwarde, do chalenge, or cause anye of the kinges subiectes to pay anye assaute, or haue amendes, otherwise then the kynges lawes wyll in that behalfe: that he or they that shal so offende, and therof be conuicted, haue iudgemeut de vie & de member. Also the next place adioynyng where the sayd murder or robbery is done, to leuie hue and crye, according to the statute of Wynchester, and on the payne therein conteyned, and also that the sayde statute of Wynchester be duelye executed and put in vre.

An acte against ordinances to be in castles. An. 10. Hen. 7. Cap. 12.

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22 Item, no perſon or perſons to reteyne and keepe in his houſe, garriſon, or place, any manner ordinance or artillerie. viz. great gunne, or handgunne, except onlye long bowe, arrowes, and bylles, vpon payne of forfeyture of the ſayd ordinance. And yf anye perſon or perſons haue any ſuche ordinaunce, and do not delyuer them to the kynges Lieuetenant or Deputie within one moneth after proclamation, or hereafter kepe any ſuche ordinance without licenſe of the Lieutenaunt or Deputie, to forfeite. xx. li. for euery offence.

No perſon to procure warre. An. 10. Hen. 7. Chap. 13.

23 Item, that whatſoeuer perſon or perſons, henceforwarde cauſe aſſemble or inſurrection, conſpiracies, or in any wyſe procure or ſtyre Iriſhrie or Engliſhrie, to make warre againſt our ſoueraigne lord the kinges auctoritie. viz. his Lieutenant, Deputie, or Juſtice, or yf any maner perſon or perſons procure or ſtyre the Iriſhrie to make warre vpon the Engliſhrie, be deemed traytour attaynted of high treaſon.

No peace nor warre to be made without licenſe of the gouernour, an. 10. Hen. 7. Cap. 17.

24 Item, foraſmuche as diuers lordes and great gentlemen of Irelande, vſeth daylye to make

seuerall peace with Irishe enimies, and where peace hath ben taken & concluded by the Lieuetenauntes and other Deputies for the tyme beyng, with the foresayd enimies, for the weale of the true subiectes, the sayde lordes and gentlemen for theyr singuler lucre, & for malice, haue diuers and many tymes, and without auctho-ritie entred into the countreyes of suche Irishe enimies as haue standen vnder protection, & the same haue robbed, spoyled, hurt, & destroyed: by reason wherof, the sayde enimies haue likewise entred into the Englishe countrey, and robbed and spoyled the true subiectes. Wherfore it is ordeyned. &c. that there be no peace nor warre taken or had within the sayde lande, without the Lieutenaunt or Deputies licence, but suche warre or peace as shalbe only taken or made by the Lieutenant or Deputie for the time beyng: & whatsoeuer person or persons breake the sayd peace, or take singuler truice, or robbe, or spoyle contrary to this acte, and such goodes and chattels as they hereafter shall fortune to robbe and take from the Irishe enimies, do not deliuer vnto the Lieutenant or deputie, within. viii. dayes after the takyng, that he or they that shall so offende, and as often, to forfeyte. C.li. to the king, & his body to be put to warde, there to remayne without bayle or mayneprice, vntyll the sayde C.li. be payde, and fynde suretie in the chaunce-rie, not to offende any more this ordinance.

Agaynſt burning of corne. an.13.Hen.8. Cap.1.

25 ITem, wylfull burnyng of reckes of corne in feeldes or in towne, and burnyng of houſes of any of the kynges true ſubiectes, is high treaſon.

An acte agaynſt ſlaunderous ſpeaches or writinges,&c. an.28.Hen.8.Cap.7.

26 Item, that yf any perſon or perſons doo maliciouſly wyſhe, wyl, or deſyre by wordes or wryting, or by craft imagine, inuent, practiſe, or attempt any bodylye harme to be done or committed to the Queenes Maieſtie, or her heyres, or to depriue them of ỹ dignitie, title, or name of their royal eſtates, or ſlaunderouſly and malitiouſlye publiſhe and pronounce by expreſſe wrytyng or wordes, that the Queenes Maieſtie ſhoulde be heretike, ſciſmatike, tyraunt, infidel, or vſurper of the crowne, or rebelliouſly doth deteyne, kepe, or withholde frō our ſaid ſoueraigne Lady, her heyres and ſucceſſours, any of her fortreſſes, fortileſſes, or holdes within this realme, or any other the Queenes dominions or Marches, or rebelliouſly deteyne, keepe, or withholde from the Queenes highneſſe, her heyres or ſucceſſours, any of her ſhyppes, ordinances, artillery, or other munitions or fortifications of warre, and doo not humbly render, and geue vp vnto our ſayd ſoueraigne Lady, her heyres, & ſucceſſours,

sours, or such persons as shalbe deputed by her, such castles, fortresses, fortilesses, holdes, shyps, ordinaunces, artillerie, and other munitions, and fortifications of warre, rebelliously kept or deteined, within. vi. dayes next after they shalbe commaunded by our sayde soueraigne Lady the Queenes Maiestie, her heyres and successours, by open proclamation vnder the great seale: that then euery suche person or persons so offending in any of the premisses, theyr aydours, counsaylours, consentours, and abettours, being therof lawfully conuicted, according to the lawes and customes of this realme, shalbe adiudged traytours, and that euery suche offence shalbe reputed, accepted, and adiudged high treason, and the doers thereof, theyr aydours, consentours, counsaylours, & abettours, to suffer paynes of death. And yf the like offence be practised out of the realme, by any subiecte, denizen, or other, the same to be also treason, the offendours to lose and forfeyte all suche landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, as they shal haue of any estate of inheritance, in vse, or possession, by any right, title, or meanes, within this lande.

Howe persons robbed, shalbe restored to theyr goodes. An. 28. Hen. 8. Cap. 10.

Item, yf any fellon or fellons hereafter do rob, or take away any money, goodes, or chattelles, from any of the kynges subiects, from theyr person, or otherwyse, and thereof be lawfully at- 27

taynted by reaſon of euidence geuen by the partie ſo robbed, or owner of the ſayde money, goodes, or chattels, or by any other by their procurement, that the partie ſo robbed. &c. ſhalbe reſtored to his ſayde money, goodes, or chattels. The Juſtices before whom the ſaid fellons ſhalbe founde gilty, to awarde from time to tyme writs of reſtitution for the ſaid money, goodes, and chattels, in like maner as though any ſuch fellons were attaynted at the ſute of the partie in appeale.

No tributes to be geuen to the Iriſhe, An. 28. Hen. 8. Cap. 11.

28 Item, that no manner Iriſhe man within this lande, ſhall haue any tribute, exaction, or any other vnlawfull impoſitions, of or vpon any the kynges townes, or faythfull ſubiectes within the ſame lande, but that all and euerye the ſayde townes and ſubiectes, ſhalbe clearely from henceforth for euer, acquited, diſcharged, and exonerated from the ſame: any commaundement ſent to them to the contrarye, in anye wiſe notwithſtandyng.

None ſhall foſter or mary with the Iriſhe, An. 28. Hen. 8. Cap. 13.

29 Item, that no perſon ne perſons the kynges ſubiectes within this his lande, of what eſtate, degree, dignitie, or condicion ſoeuer he or they

they be, shall marrie or foster them selues, theyr chyldren, or kynsfolke, within the fourth degree, or any of them, to or with any Irish blood, whiche be not the kynges true subiectes, ne vse them selues accordingly, though any suche person or persons be made denizens, vnlesse that euery suche person so to be made denizen, do his homage and fealtie before the kynges Chauncelour, or keeper of the great seale for the tyme to the kynges highnesse, swearyng the othe compiled in the acte of succession, for the fulfyllyng and accomplishment of the effect, tenor, and purporte of the same, and also shalbe bounde by recognisaunce before the kynges Chauncelour, or keeper of his graces great seale of this lande for the tyme beyng, in such summes of money, as to the sayde Chauncelour, or keeper of the great seale, shalbe thought meete and conuenient, that he from the tyme that he is made denizen, shalbe faythful, true, and obedient to the kinges highnesse, his heyres, and successours, and that euery person and persons the kinges subiectes within this his land, that shal so marry, or foster them selues, their children, or kynsfolke, or anye of them, to or with any suche person or persons of Irishe blood, as is aforesayde, without fraude or couen, at the tyme of the said mariage or fostering, shal haue a true and vnfaigned intent and meaning, that the partie so made denizen, with whō he or they intend so to marrie, or foster, wil duryng his natural lyfe, be faythfull, true, and obedient to the kyngs highnesse, his heyres, and

ſucceſſours, and yf any perſon or perſons nowe made, or whiche hereafter ſhalbe made denizen, at any time or tymes hereafter, with whom any ſuche marriage or fosteryng ſhalbe had or made, do tranſgreſſe his fidelitie and fayth to the kynges highneſſe, his heyres, and ſucceſſours, vsyng hym ſelfe as the kynges rebell, and proclamation thereof made by the kinges Lieutenant or Deputie, or by his or theyr commaundement by thaduice of the kyngs counſel, in the Shire, or open markets next adioynyng to ſuch offendour, then euery ſuche of the kings ſubiectes, which ſo ſhal haue fostred or marryed with any ſuch denizen, ſo rebelling or offending, contrary to his othe or duetie: ſhal vtterly auoyd any wilfull familiaritie or company with him or them that ſo ſhall offende, vnleſſe it be to reconcile ſuch offendour or offendours to acknowledge theyr offences committed to the kynges Maieſtie, or els to the intent to haue reſtitution of ſuche goodes as anye ſuche perſon or perſons ſo offendyng, haue taken from any the kynges ſubiectes. And yf any of his highneſſe ſubiectes of this his land, do offend in the premiſſes, or in any parcel thereof, that then euery ſuche offence ſhalbe deemed high treaſon, and the perſon ſo offendyng, a traytour, and ſhal ſuffer paynes of death, and forfeyte his landes, goodes, and cattels. And further, if any perſon or perſons made or to be made denizens, do not to his & their wit, knowledge, and power, fulfyl, and accomplyſhe the tenour, purport, and effect of the ſayd othe,

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and of the condition of the sayd recognisaunce, but wylfully transgresse and withdrawe theyr obedience and bounden duetie to theyr moste dread soueraigne lord, from his highnesse: that then yf anye suche person or persons the kinges true subiectes, theyr freendes, or seruantes, that hath married or fostered, or at any tyme hereafter shal marrie or foster them selues, theyr children, or kinsfolkes, or any of thē, to or with anye such person or persons, made or to be made denizens, wil or do aide, mainteine, suppoꝛt, succour, counsaile, fauour, or by any other meane encourage any suche person or persons, so made or to be made denizens, contemptuously offendyng, as is aforesayde, vnlesse it be to reconcile and bring them to their duetie and obedience due to theyr most dread soueraigne lord, or els to haue restitution of goodes by them taken, as is aforesayde: that then he or they so offendyng, and euery of them, being thereof lawfully conuicted, according to the due order and processe of the kings lawes, shalbe adiudged a traytour attaynted of high treason, and shall haue and suffer suche paynes of death, losses and forfeytes of landes, tenementes, goodes and cattels, as in cases of high treason. And also that all and euery article, clause, and sentence comprised in any other Acte or Actes, whiche be repugnant or contrary to the effect, tenour, and purporte of this Acte, or any thyng therein conteyned, shalbe voyde to all intentes and purposes.

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An acte for Engliſhe order, habite, and language. An. 28. Hen. 8. chap. 16.

30 Item, that no perſon ne perſons the kynges ſubiectes within this lande, beyng or hereafter to be, ſhalbe ſhorne or ſhaven aboue the eares, or vſe the wearyng of heare vpon theyr heades lyke vnto long lockes called glyfles, or haue or vſe any heare growyng on theyr vpper lyppes, called or named Acrommeale, or vſe or weare any Shirte, Smocke, Kercher, Bendel, Neckercher, Mocket, or linnen cappe, coloured, or dyed with Saffron, ne yet vſe or weare in any theyr Shyrtes or Smockes aboue ſeuen yardes of cloth, to be meaſured accordyng to the kinges ſtandard. And that alſo no woman vſe or weare any Kyrtle or Coate tucked vp, or embrodered, or garniſhed with ſylke, or cowched ne layde with Uſker, after the Iriſhe faſhion. And that no perſon or perſons, of what eſtate, condition, or degree they be, ſhall vſe or weare any mantels, coate, or hood made after the Iriſh faſhion. And yf any perſon or perſons vſe or weare any ſhyrt, Smocke, Coate, Hood, Mantel, Kercher, Bendel, Neckercher, Mocket, or linnen cappe, contrary to the fourme aboue recited, that then euery perſon ſo offendyng, ſhal forfeyte the thyng ſo vſed or worne, and that it ſhalbe lawful to euery the kynges true ſubiectes to ſeiſe the ſame. And further, the offender in any the premiſſes, ſhal forfeite for euery tyme ſo wearing the ſame agaynſt the fourme aforeſayde, ſuche penalties

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and summes of money, as hereafter by this pre-
sent acte is limitted and appoynted. Prouided
alway, that this acte, ne any thyng therin con-
teyned, be preiudiciall to any woman, or anye
heardes, horboyes, for the blyng or wearyng of
any mantel, ne shal extende to be hurtful to any
person or persons, for or by reason of wearyng
any mantels, duryng suche tyme as he or they
shalbe in goeyng, rydyng, or abydyng in any ho-
stinges, iourney, or rode, or reysyng out vpon a
crye, but that they and euery of them, shal and
may liberallye and freelye vse and weare at
theyr pleasures theyr mantels, duryng suche ho-
stynges, iourneyes, or rodes, or reysyng out.

And that al persons, to the vttermost of his
and theyr power, shall vse and speake the Eng-
lyshe tongue and language, and procure his
chylde and chyldren thereunto, and bryng them
vp accordyngly.

The owners or maisters of housholdes, shall
to theyr power kepe theyr houses and housholds
accordyng to the Englishe order, condition, and
manner, vpon payne of forfeyture. &c.

To euery lord spiritual and temporal, that shal
offende. vi. li. xiii. s. iiii. d.

Euery Knyght and Esquire. xl. s.

Euery gentleman or Marchant. xx. s.

Euery freeholder or yeoman. x. s.

Euery husbandman. vi. s. viii. d.

Euery other the kynges subiectes. iii. s. iiii. d.

The one halfe to the king, and the other halfe
to him that will sue for the same.

Euerye Juſtice, Sheriffe, or other officer, to ayde and aſſiſt thoſe that ſhall take or ſeiſe the ſayd Iriſhe garment, and the ſeiſers to haue the ſame to theyr owne vſe. And yf any by way of reuenge take a diſtreſſe for the ſayde ſeiſer of the ſayd garmentes, he ſo offendyng, to forfeyte. x.li. in maner aforeſayde, and alſo to be put to gaole by the Juſtice of peace.

Perſons that can ſpeake the Engliſh tongue, to be preſented and admitted to Archdeaconrie, Deanerie, Prouoſtſhip, Prebende, Parſonage, Vicarage, or Chauntrie, or anye other dignitie, benefice, office, or promotion ſpiritual, vnder the kynges obedience, leuiable or chargeable of paying of the firſt fruites: vnleſſe there be no perſon nor perſons which can ſpeake Engliſhe, that wyl accept and take the ſame. And that the patrone of euery ſuche benefice, vpon conuenient ſearche and enquirie by him or them made, can not within three monethes after the ſame benefices happen to come and be voyde, haue, ne geat any perſon that can ſpeake Englyſhe, to accept and take the ſame: then they ſhal make or cauſe to be made foure ſolemne proclamations openly, at foure ſeueral market dayes, holden in the next market towne adioynyng to the ſayde Churche, where ſuche promotion ſpirituall is voyde, that yf anye perſon or perſons that can ſpeake Engliſhe, apt and conuenient to accept, occupie, and vſe the ſame promotion, wil come and repaire to him or them to whom the preſentation ſhal apparteyne, and wyl take and occupie

pie the ſame, ſhal haue the nomination & electi-on therof, as the caſe & matter ſhal require. And if no perſons which can ſpeake Engliſhe, do re-payre or come to him or them that hath the pre-ſentation as aforeſayde, within fiue weekes after the firſt of the ſame proclamations, to take and receiue the ſame promotion, that then it ſhalbe lawful to euery ſuch perſon and perſons, hauing right or title to preſent, nominate, &c. to preſent and geue the ſame dignitie and pro-motion, to anye honeſt ſufficient hable perſon, albeit he can ſpeake no Englyſhe. And yf anye perſon or perſons hauyng title to collate, pre-ſent, &c. do contrarye to the fourme aforeſayde, that then the king, his heyres, and ſucceſſours, to collate, preſent, elect, &c. the ſame promotions to any perſons that can ſpeake Engliſhe, and to none other.

And that euery Archbyſhop, Byſhop, &c. that hath aucthoritie to geue orders, ſhall geue vnto euery perſon that wyl take ꝑ ſame orders, a cor-poral oth, that he or they ſhal to the vttermoſt of his power, wyt, and cunning, endeuour hym ſelfe to ſpeake the Engliſhe tongue, and vſe the Engliſh order and faſhions. And if any Archbi-ſhop, or Biſhop, &c. do not for theyr part, do as a-foreſayde, to forfeite. iii. li. vi. s. viii. d. to be diui-ded as aforeſayde, for euery time. And if the per-ſon ſo preſented, do not obſerue the othe afore-ſayd, then he to forfeite the firſt time. vi. s. viii. d. the ſeconde time. xx. s. the thyrde time the bene-fice to be voyde.

An acte agaynſt gray marchantes, An. 33. Hen. 8. Cap. 2.

32 Item, that no perſon or perſons, to the intent to ſel the ſame agayne, ſhall buye or cauſe to be bought any Hydes, Felles, Chekers, Flegges, Yarne, linnen cloth, wool or flocke, in any other place or places, but onlye in the open market or Fayre, and who do otherwyſe, to be deemed a foreſtaller of the kynges market, as by the ſame Statute, wherein a certayne prouiſo is, more at large appeareth.

Fellonie to runne away with Caſkets, &c. Anno. 33. Hen. 8. Cap. 5. The firſt Seſſions.

33 Item, if any ſeruants to whom any Caſkets, ie welles, money, goodes, or cattels, be by theyr maiſter or maiſtreſſes, deliuered to be kept, and withdrawe them from theyr ſayde maiſter or maiſtreſſe, and goe away with the ſame, or anye part thereof, to the intent to ſteale the ſame, or beyng in ſeruice of his ſaid maiſter & maiſtreſſe, without their aſſent, do imbeaſel their Caſkets, ie welles, money, goodes, or cattels, or any part therof, with like purpoſe to ſteale it, and beyng of the value of. xl. s. or aboue, ſhalbe adeemed and adiudged from henceforth fellonie, and the parties to be puniſhed as fellons. Prouided, that the ſame extende not to prentiſes or anye perſon vnder the age of. xviii. yeeres.

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An acte agaynst corsers and idle men. An.3.&.4 Phil.& Mariæ. Cap.6.

ITem, that no cottier, nor labouryng man in husbandrie, nor horseboy, nor Kernages, shall not buye any horse, garran, gelding, Colte, or Mare, nor make bargayne with any other for the hauing of any of them, vpon payne of forfeyture for euerye tyme so offending. xl. s. the one moitie thereof to the king and Queenes Maiestie, theyr heyres, and successours, and the other moitie to suche as will sue for the same. 34

Prouided alwayes, that this act, nor any thing therein conteyned, shall not extende nor be preiudicial to any Carter, Carrier, Myller, Baker, nor Tanner, buying horse, garran, geldyng, Colt, or Mare, for seruing them, & euery of them in that his or theyr facultie or trade. Prouided also, that this acte shal not be preiudiciall to any cottier, or labouring man in husbandrie, nor horseboy, nor Kernages, but that they, and euerye of them, may yeerely from the fyrste of August, til the last day of October then next following, buy and haue a horse, garran, gelding, Colte, or Mare, to labour and drawe home such corne and other thinges as they and euerye of them shal haue to doo, from the first day of August, tyl the sayde last day of October, yeerely.

The owner of goodes ſtollen, may be reſtored, An.3.&.4.Phil.&.Mariæ.Cap.7.

35 Item, in caſe the partie from whom anye goodes or cattels hath ben or ſhalbe ſtollē, or his executours, can not come by the goodes ſo ſtollen, that then he or his executours ſhal haue of the fellons goodes that ſtale his goodes, and ſhalbe attaynted, condemned, or pardoned for the ſame, or percaſe hath fled, or ſhall flee away for the ſame cauſe, to the value of the goodes from hym ſtollen, to be deliuered to hym or his executours by the hands of the Sheriffe, or any other perſon or perſons hauing the poſſeſſion of the ſame goodes: the Sheriffe to be thereof diſcharged againſt the kyng and Queene, their heyres and ſucceſſours. And yf the Sheriffe, or any other perſon hauing the ſayde goodes, wyll refuſe to deliuer to the partie, or to his executours, of the ſayde fellons goodes, to the value of the goodes ſtollen, that then he or they to forfeyte to the partie or his executours, the value of the goodes ſtollen, in caſe ſo muche came to their handes.

An acte againſt Aquauite. An.3.&.4. Phil.&.Marie. Cap.8.

36 Item, that no perſon nor perſons, without hauing the Lorde Deputie of this Realme his licence, ſealed with ỹ great ſeale of this realme, make any Aquauite, vpon payne of impryſon-

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ment, at the L. deputies pleasure, and to forfeite for euery time so offending. iiii. li. the one moitie to the king and Queene, their heyres and successours, and the other moitie to the partie that wyl sue for the same. Prouided, that this extende not to any peeres of the realme, or those that can dispende. x. li. by the yeere, for life or inheritance, or to any freeman dwelling in any citie or borough towne, that is charged with burgesses to the Parliament, but that they may make it for theyr expences only.

Certaine offences made treason. An. 2. Eli. Cap. 6.

Item, yf any person or persons do malitiously, aduisedly, & directly, compasse or imagine to deprive the Queenes Maiestie that nowe is, or the heyres of her body to be begotten, beyng kynges or Queenes of this Realme, from the style, honour, and kyngly name of the imperial crowne of this realme, or from anye other the realmes or dominions vnto her apparteyning or belongyng, or to destroy the Queenes Maiestie, or anye the heyres of her bodye, or to leuie warre within this Realme, or within the marches or dominions of the same, or to depose her, or anye the heyres of her bodye, being kinges or Queenes of this Realme, from the imperiall crowne of the Realmes and dominions aforesayde, and the same compasses or imaginations, or any of them, malitiously, aduisedly, and directly, 37

rectly, ſhall or doo vtter by open preaching, expreſſe woordes or ſayinges, or yf anye perſon or perſons ſhal malitiouſly, aduiſedly, and directly ſay, publiſh, declare, maynteyne, or holde opinion that the Queenes Maieſtie that now is, during her life, is not, or ought not to be Queene of this realme, or after her death, that the heyres of her highneſſe body, being kinges or Queenes of this Realme, of right ought not to be kinges and Queenes of this Realme, or that any other perſon or perſons, other thē the Queenes highneſſe that nowe is duryng her lyfe, ought to be kyng or Queene of this Realme, or anye other the Realmes or dominions aforeſayde, or after her death, other then the heyres of her body, being kinges or Queenes of this Realme, as long as any of her ſayde heyres of her body begotten ſhalbe in life, of right ought to haue and enioy the imperiall crowne of this Realme, or anye the Realmes and dominions aforeſayde: that then euery ſuche offendour, beyng thereof duely conuicted or attaynted by the lawes of this Realme, theyr abettours, procurors, and counſaylours, and all and euerye theyr comforters, knowyng the ſayde offences or anye of them to be done, and thereof duely conuicted or attaynted, as is aboueſayde, for his or theyr ſuche offence, ſhal forfeite and loſe to the Queenes highneſſe, her heires and ſucceſſours, al his and their goodes and cattelles, and the whole iſſues and profites of his and theyr lands, tenementes, and hereditaments, for terme of the life of euery ſuch offen-

offendour or offendours, and alſo ſhall haue and ſuffer, during his and theyr liues, perpetual impriſonment.

Euery eccleſiaſticall perſon offendyng in the premiſſes, and thereof conuicted, be adiudged and remayne depriued from his benefices and promotions ſpiritual.

And if any perſon or perſons after his or their conuiction or attaynder, as aforeſayde, eftſones commit the ſayde offences, that euerye ſuche ſeconde offence, ſhalbe deemed and adiudged high treaſon, and the offendours therein, theyr abettours, procurours, and counſailours, and al and euery theyr aydours and comfortours, being thereof conuicted, ſhalbe adiudged and deemed traytours, they ſhall ſuffer paynes of death, and forfeyte their goodes, lands, and tenements to the Queenes Maieſtie.

The concealement of high treaſons, be deemed and taken miſpriſion of treaſon, and the offendours therein to forfeyte and ſuffer, as in caſes of miſpriſion of treaſon hath heretofore been vſed.

None of the Iriſhe lords to foſter to any lord.

An. 11. Eliz. Cap. 2. the fyrſt Seſſion.

Item, that no lord nor captaine of the Iriſhrie of Irelande, ſhall from henceforth foſter to any Earle, Vicount, Baron, or lord of the ſayde Realme, and that what Iriſhe lorde or captaine ſoeuer he be that from henceforth doth receiue 38

or take to foſter the childe mulier or baſtarde of any of the ſayde Earles, Vicountes, Barons, or Lordes, the ſame ſhalbe deemed and adiudged high treaſon in the taker, and alſo fyneable in the geuer, accordyng to the taxation and diſcretion of the lord deputie, gouernour, or gouernours and counſell of this Realme for the time beyng.

Fiue perſons of the beſt of euery nation, to bring in the idle perſons of theyr ſurname. An. 11. Eli. Ca. 6.

39 Item, that from henceforth fyue perſons of the beſt and eldeſt of euery ſtirpe or nation of the Iriſhry, & in countreys that be not as yet Shire groundes, and til they be Shire ground, ſhalbe bounde to bring in, to be iuſtified by lawe, al idle perſons of theyr ſurname, whiche ſhalbe hereafter charged with anye offence, or els ſatiſfie of theyr owne proper goodes the hurtes by them committed to the parties greeued, and alſo yeeld to the Queenes Maieſtie, her heires, and ſucceſſours, ſuche fines as by the lord Deputie, gouernour, or gouernours, and the counſayle of this Realme for the tyme beyng, ſhalbe aſſeſſed for theyr offences.

For preſeruation of Salmon frye. An. 11. Eli. Ca. 4. the thirde Seſſion.

40 Item, that no perſon nor perſons, by him ſelfe, or by his or theyr appoyntment, ſhall dryue or put any ſwine, hogge, or pigge, vpon any ſtrand

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of any riuer or riuers within this Realme, to be fedde or paſtured thereupon, in any place where the ſea doth ebbe or flowe within the ſayd riuer or riuers, nor in any other place or places where the ſea doth vſually ebbe and flowe, nor that no perſon nor perſons do permit nor ſuffer theyr ſayd ſwine to goe or to be ſet to feede vpon any ſtrande within this Realme, as farre as the ſea doth vſe to ebbe and flowe, vpon payne of forfeiture of the ſayde ſwine, hogges, and pygges, to ſuche perſon as ſhal ſeiſe the ſame, the one halfe whereof to the Queenes Maieſtie, her heyres and ſucceſſours, and the other halfe to the ſayde ſeiſer. And if anye perſon or perſons do reſiſt or withſtande anye perſon or perſons to ſeiſe the ſayde ſwine, hogges, or pygges, being founde as aforeſayde, then he to be vſed as a reſcuſſer, and being thereof conuicted, to paye a fyne to the Queenes Maieſtie and the ſayd ſeiſer, to the value of the ſwine ſo by him reſcued.

An acte againſt laying of Hempe, &c. in any freſhe water or riuer. An. 11. Eliz. Chap. 5.

Item, that no perſon nor perſons ſhal lay into any ryuer, ſtreame, brooke, or other freſhe runnyng water, any Hempe, or Flaxe, or anye Hydes, with Lyme bound vp in them, to be watered and ſeaſoned, vpon payne to looſe and forfeyte the ſame, or the treble value thereof, the one halfe thereof to the Queenes Maieſtie, and the other halfe to him that ſhal fynde or preſent 41

the defaulte. Juſtice of peace in euerye Shire, Citie, or Towne corporate, to enquire, heare, and determine offences committed contrarye to this Acte.

A prouiſo that anye thyng herein conteyned, ſhal not be preiudicial to any lord or lordes, bodies pollitike or corporate, but that they may haue and receiue ſuche forfeytures as ſhal happen by force of this acte, as they may other forfeitures by theyr charters, liberties, & grauntes. And that al Maiors, Bayliffes, Sheriffes, and other head officers, ſhal euery quarter of the yere make open proclamation of this preſent acte: And in like manner Juſtices of peace, and gaole deliuerie in their circuites and Seſſions before them holden.

An acte taking away captaynſhips. An. 11. Eliz. Chap. 7.

42 Item, that no Earle, Vicount, Baron, Lord, or pretenced captayne, dwelling within any the Shiregrounde of this Realme, or any of theyr ſeruantes or men, ſhal from henceforth aſſume, clayme, chalenge, vſe, or take vpon him or them the auctoritie or name of captayne, or ruler of any countrey, camtred, or territorie, beyng nowe Shire grounde, or hereafter to be made Shire grounde, except ſuche as hath or ſhal haue the ſame by letters patentes from your Maieſtie, or your noble progenitours, or from your heyres or ſucceſſours: Nor ſhal as a captayne, or by the name

name, colour, or custome, or aucthoritie of captaynshyp, or other wyse, take or exact for the fyndyng of hym or them, theyr horsmen, footemen, Galloglas, Kerne, Hagbutters, horses, horseboyes, huntes, steedekepers, officers, or adherentes, of or vpon any your Maiesties subiectes, any kynde of exaction, impositions, taxations, selles, or subsedies, of what nature, qualitie, or conditiõ soeuer they be, nor shal cal as captayne, geather, or assemble togeather the people of any the sayde pretensed countreyes, rules, and captayneshyps, to treate, conclude, or agree for making of warre or peace, rodes, iourneys, graunting of selles, beneuolences, fyndyng of men of warre, or other wise, nor shal as a captaine leade the said people to do any act or actes offensiue or inuasiue, without special aucthoritie vnder the great seale of this Realme, or warrant in writyng from the L. Deputie, gouernour or gouernours of the same Realme for the tyme beyng.

Euery Earle, Vicount, Baron, or Lord, offending contrarye to this acte, to forfeite for euerye tyme. C. li. Euery pretensed captayne, and other person vnder the degree of a Peere, that shal offende herein, to forfeyte. C. markes: the two partes to the Queene, her heyres, and successours, and the other thyrde part to suche as shal prefent the same offence.

A prouiso that this extende not to restreyne pursuite for goodes taken, so the same pursuite be made within seuen dayes after the goodes taken.

43 Item, that the Queenes Maieſtie at her proper coſtes & charges, doo let make two meaſures of braſſe, one for Wheate, Rye, Meſlon, Beanes, and Peaſe, and another for Malte, Otes, & Barley, whiche ſhalbe the ſtandardes for the Shires of the citie of Dublin, ỹ countie of Dublin, Kildare, Carthelagh, Werford, Meith, the towne of Drogheda, Weſtmeith, Lowth, Kyngs countie, and Queenes countie within this your realme, & that the ſame being marked with the crowne, and letters of your Maieſties name, ſhall remayne and be as your hyghneſſe ſtandards for the Shires aforeſayde, in your Maieſties Exchequer of this Realme, in the cuſtodie of the lord Treaſourer of this Realme, or of the vnder Treaſourer for the tyme beyng.

The Knightes, Citizens, & Burgeſſes, of euery the Shires, citie & townes before named, and certayne Burgeſſes of the Borough townes in the ſame Shires, ſhal haue deliuered vnto them one meaſure of euery ſuche meaſures, by indenture, to be made at the coſtes and charges of the ſayde Shires, citie, Townes, or borough, whiche they ſhall ſurely and ſafelye conuey, or cauſe the ſame to be conueyed by the citizens, to the cities, and by the Knyghtes, or Burgeſſes, vnto the Borough, or towne corporate, or market towne within the Shire, with all conuenient ſpeede and expedition, there to remayne for euer, in the keeping of the Maior, Bayliffe, Soueraigne,

neraigne, Portrife, or other head offi[illegible], for the tyme beyng, as your Maiesties standardes of measure.

The inhabitauntes of al cities, Boroughes, and market townes, with al conuenient speede, shal cause to be made common measures, accordyng to the measure abouesayde, to be examined, prynted, and marked by the head officer of the sayde cities. &c. in whose possession the same standard shal remayne, with your Maiesties name crowned, takyng for markyng of euerye bushel. ii. d.

No person nor persons to buye or sell anye grayne or corne with any measure, except it be marked as aforesayd, and be like and equal with the standard, ordeyned and made for the Shire, precinct, or place, where anye suche person shall sell, bye, or receiue the sayde grayne or corne, and who do offende herein, to forfeyte the grayne or corne so solde, bought, receiued, and deliuered, halfe to your Maiestie, your heyres and successours, and the other halfe to hym that wyll sue for the same.

And that all the Maiors, Bayliffes, Souereignes, Portriues, and other head officers of euerye Citie, Borough, or Market towne, within euery the Shires aforesayde, shall cause twyse in the yeere, or oftner, as they shal thinke necessarie, all measures within the sayde cities, boroughes, and market townes, to be brought afore them, and to be duely viewed and examined, and suche as they shall vpon the sayde examination

minati[illegible]inde defertiue, immediatly to be bro-
ken and brent, and the partie or parties whiche
in that behalfe hath offended, and be founde de-
fertiue, shal forfeyte for the fyrst tyme. vi.s.viii.d
the forfeyture thereof to be vnto the sayd Ma-
ior, Baylike, Soueraigne, Portrise, or any
other hauing iurisdiction and correction in that
behalfe. And at the seconde tyme the sayde of-
fendours lykewyse to forfeyte. xiii.s.iiii.d. And
at the thirde time likewise to forfeite. xx.s. The
same forfeytures to be to the head officers, as
afore is sayde, and for further punishment, to be
set vpon the pillorie, to the example of other.

Also, that the standardes by your Maiestie to
be made, to hold the quantities folowing (that
is to say) the Bushel for the Wheate, Rye, Me-
lon, Beanes, and Pease, shall conteyne. xvi. Ale
Gallons. And the Bushel for the Malte, Otes,
and Barley, shall conteyne. xx. Ale Gallons.
And al the same standardes or measures, shalbe
kept and remayne in the townes & places here-
after appoynted in this acte, as your Maesties
standardes for euer.

And that euery Bushell of Wheate corne shal-
be receiued stryked without heape. And the
Bushell of Malte corne shalbe layde and prested
downe iust with the brymme of the Bushel, af-
ter the accustomed maner of measuring Malte,
vpon payne of forfeyture of the corne receiued
contrary to this Acte.

God saue the Queene.